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GUATEMALANS GET APPEAL TO REVOLT

Existence of Anti-Communist
Radio Station Near Border
of Honduras Announced

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GUATEMALA, May 4—It was acknowledged officially today that a clandestine radio station was broadcasting anti-Communist material and exhorting the country to revolution.

There had been reports the station was operating, but the police remained silent until last night, after the Communist-controlled General Confederation of Labor had brought the matter to the Government's attention.

The confederation reported it had learned the station was in San Marcos Department, near the Mexican border. But the police announcement today said it was believed the station was operating behind the Honduran border.

In the official acknowledgment, the police said the station identified itself as "The Voice of Liberation." Its program content, the announcement said, advanced "subversive proposals" and attempted to "excite seditious elements to opposition against the constituted Government."

Pressure on Stations Cited

The station's existence, which received particular attention in the press this morning, is of interest just now because the announcement comes when pressure on independent radio stations seems to be reaching a climax.

This pressure has been characterized by threats and even violence over the last year exerted primarily against stations that either have been broadcasting outright anti-Communist programs or have been somewhat anti-Communist in view.

The Government entered the picture last week when the stations received official notice that a restrictive article in the law referring to so-called "radio newspapers" would be strongly observed henceforth. This article requires that programs dealing in domestic or foreign politics must be recorded and presented to Government authorities within twenty-four hours of broadcast time. This is an alternative in which a station may advise the Government of plans for such a program three hours before broadcasting.

Program Is Canceled

Radio newspapers are a peculiar institution to Guatemala. They are operated by professional newspaper men who buy radio time, arrange and write a program, and sell commercial time. The close tie between these directors with working newspaper men has keenly interested independent newspapers, and especially the influential Guatemalan Journalists Association, in the fate of the programs and their directors.

Last week, Radio Telefunken canceled such a program pro-

Wilson Asserts He Lets Aides Do Jobs Own Way

WASHINGTON, May 4 (AP)—Secretary of Defense Charles E. Wilson was asked at a Pentagon news conference today if he had ordered Secretary of the Army Robert T. Stevens to cooperate with Senator Joseph R. McCarthy to the extent that he did.

Mr. Wilson's answer:

"You never give anyone orders to such a degree; that isn't the way it is done."

"I mean it's like trying to sell someone how to suck eggs. You give him a job and let him go and suck it his way."

duced by Francisco Baeza on the ground it had expressed political thoughts. While not anti-Communist, the program contained occasional items unfavorable to communism.

On April 21 Radio Internacional was invaded by an armed band. Two attendants were severely beaten and the station was wrecked. The station at that time was broadcasting an "Anti-Communist Hour," a fifteen-minute program sponsored by the Students Anti-Communist Association. The station has returned to the air, but it is not broadcasting the "Anti-Communist Hour."

This program, the source of much violence in the last year, has switched from one station to another following incidents. One conductor of the program, Horacio Decordoba, was sent into exile.

Roberto Vizcaino, owner of Radio Continental, which also broadcast anti-Communist material, was forced out of the country and his station dismantled.

Radio Voz Dela Capitol, another station broadcasting anti-Communist material, ceased doing so after members of its personnel had been attacked by masked persons.

SETTLEMENT HOUSE IS 60

Mayor Praises Lenox Hill for
Its Aid to Youth

Mayor Wagner presented proclamation to the Lenox Hill Neighborhood Association yesterday on its sixtieth anniversary and lauded the work of settlement houses in helping to attack such problems as delinquency.

Speaking at the new house at 331 East Street, the Mayor "great strides" made in the solution of the juvenile problem by settlement houses in helping to attack such problems as delinquency.

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